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# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

# **STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

**FOURTH LEGISLATURE,**

AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1824.

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## CHAPTER CCLVII.

AN ACT limiting the tenure of certain civil officers. [offices.]

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That all civil officers, appointed and commissioned by the Governor and Council, or who shall be hereafter appointed and commissioned by the Governor and Council, whose tenure of office is not otherwise provided for or limited by the Constitution, shall hold and exercise their respective offices for the term of four years and no longer, unless re-appointed: *Provided however,* That this act shall not be so construed as to prevent the Governor, with the advice of Council, from removing any such officers within said term of four years. And this act shall not extend to such Ministers of the Gospel as are, or may be appointed and commissioned to solemnize marriages; or to such Magistrates as are, or may be commissioned by the Governor, before whom certain judicial, executive and civil officers are required by law to take and subscribe the oaths or affirmations required by the Constitution.

Time of holding certain offices limited to four years.

[*This Act passed February 14, 1824.*]

## CHAPTER CCLVIII.

AN ACT to secure rent to lessors of house lots and mill privileges,

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That when any lot or parcel of land or any mill-privilege may be leased, for the purpose of having any house, shop, mill, or other buildings erected on the same, and where rent may be reserved in the lease, all the buildings erected as aforesaid, together with all the interest, which the lessee had, or may have in the premises by force of such lease, shall remain liable to be attached by such lessor or his assignee to secure the rent due on such lease, notwithstanding such buildings and such lease may be assigned by such lessee: *Provided,* That such lessor or his as-

Lien on buildings &c. secured to owner of land leased for their erection thereon.

signee commence his action and attach the same within six months from the time the rent becomes due and not otherwise.

Mode of levying execution in such cases. **SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That such lessor shall levy his execution in the same manner, and the same proceedings shall be had as are provided by law, in cases of attaching and selling on equity of redemption: *Provided nevertheless,* That the rents and profits of such buildings shall be sold on the execution for such term of time as will be sufficient to pay the debt and costs on such execution.  
 [This Act passed February 14, 1824.]

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## CHAPTER CCLIX.

AN additional Act respecting Lotteries.

Forfeitures for breach of this and former act how recovered &c. **SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That the manner of recovering forfeitures for violations of any of the provisions of an Act passed March 15, 1821, for the prevention of Lotteries not authorized by law, and to prohibit the sale or purchase of tickets in this State, as prescribed in the fifth section of said act, be and the same hereby is so far modified or altered as that the penalty or penalties therein mentioned, shall and may be recovered by indictment in the Supreme Judicial Court, or Court of Common Pleas; one half of said penalty or penalties to the use of the State, and the other half to the use of the informer.

Penalty for receiving, aiding in procuring, &c. foreign lottery tickets. **SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That no person or persons who is or may become a dealer or vender of any lottery ticket or tickets within this State, shall receive, or aid in procuring or obtaining any ticket, or part or parts of any ticket or tickets in any lottery not authorized by the laws of this State, or of the United States, under the like penalty or penalties imposed for such offences in the act aforesaid, to be recovered in the manner prescribed in the first section of this act: *Provided however,* That any purchaser or purchasers, who may make complaint of any violation of the provisions aforesaid, or shall

Purchasers may be witnesses and exempted from penalties.